DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

CHILDREN'S SERVICES AGENCY

FOSTER FAMILY HOMES AND FOSTER FAMILY GROUP HOMES

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(By authority conferred on the director of the department of health and human services by sections 2, 5, 10, and 14 of 1973 PA 116, MCL 722.112, 722.115, 722.120, and 722.124, and Executive Reorganization Order No. 2015-1, MCL 400.227.)

R 400.9415 of the Michigan Administrative Code is amended as follows:

R 400.9415 Hazardous materials and firearm storage.

Rule 415. (1) Federal standards for a foster family or group home include specific safety requirements for weapons, pools, hot tubs, and spas, as these pose a particular preventable danger to children.

- (2) Dangerous equipment and objects, weapons, chemicals, medications, poisonous materials, cleaning supplies, and other hazardous materials that may present a risk to children placed in the foster home must be stored securely and out of the reach of children, as appropriate for the age and functioning level of the children.
- (3) Unless carried in the home as permitted by law, firearms and ammunition must be stored as follows:
 - (a) Firearms must be all of the following:
 - (i) Locked in compliance with 1 of the following:
 - (A) By a cable-lock.
 - (B) By a trigger-lock.
 - (C) In a gun safe.
 - (D) A solid metal gun case.
 - (E) A solid wood gun case.
 - (ii) Unloaded.
 - (iii) Separate from ammunition.
 - (iv) Inaccessible to children.
 - (b) Ammunition must be stored in a locked location and inaccessible to children.